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Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly

Report of the Third Committee

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1. At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 18 September 2009, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its sixty-fourth session the item entitled "Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly" and to allocate it to all the Main Committees for the sole purpose of considering and taking action on their respective tentative programmes of work.

2. The Third Committee considered the item at its 47th meeting, on 24 November 2009 (see A/C.3/64/SR.47). It had before it a tentative programme of work of the Third Committee for the sixty-fifth session of the General Assembly (A/C.3/64/L.64), submitted by the Chairperson.

3. At its 47th meeting, the Committee approved its tentative programme of work for the sixty-fifth session, as contained in document A/C.3/64/L.64, and decided to transmit it to the General Assembly (see para. 4).

Recommendation of the Third Committee

4. The Third Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft decision:

Programme of work of the Third Committee for the sixty-fifth session of the General Assembly

The General Assembly approves the programme of work of the Third Committee for the sixty-fifth session as set out below:

Item 1. Social development:

(a) Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly

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(b) Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family

(c) Follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons: Second World Assembly on Ageing

(d) United Nations Literacy Decade: education for all

Item 2. Crime prevention and criminal justice

Item 3. International drug control

Item 4. Advancement of women:

(a) Advancement of women

(b) Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women and of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly

Item 5. Promotion and protection of the rights of children:

(a) Promotion and protection of the rights of children

(b) Follow-up to the outcome of the special session on children

Item 6. Indigenous issues:

(a) Indigenous issues

(b) Second International Decade of the World's Indigenous People

Item 7. Promotion and protection of human rights:

(a) Implementation of human rights instruments

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives

(d) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action

Item 8. Elimination of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance:

(a) Elimination of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance

(b) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action

Item 9. Right of peoples to self-determination

Item 10. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions

Item 11. Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly